Claim 1 - 15 (Cancelled)

Claim 16 (New): A universal pan lid absorbing and filtering steam and smell, comprising

a pan covering flat and a holding-knob; said knob comprising a box-like body consisting

of a lower half shell applied to the lid flat and a removable upper half shell to gain access

to the filter chamber; said knob further comprising a filtering and purifying filter housed

in a chamber made inside the knob, characterized in that a battery operated sucking fan is

housed inside the knob, said knob being fixed to the lid flat in a removable way, said

lower half shell of said knob being provided with an annular sucker for its application on

a central opening made in the pan covering flat in a position corresponding to said knob.

Claim 17 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the knob upper half

shell has an ergonomic shape allowing to grasp the lid without contact with the outgoing

hot steam and is made of shock resistant anti-slip material.

Claim 18 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the filter is

provided with activated charcoal with a high absorbing and filtering power.

Claim 19 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the filter comprises

two layers of filtering cloth between which granules of activated charcoal are embedded.

Claim 20 (New): The lid according to Claim 18, characterized in that the filter changes

color when its saturation is reached allowing its timely replacement.

Claim 21 (New): The lid according to Claim 18, characterized in that the activated

charcoal is made of coconut material.

Claim 22 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the lid flat is made

of fire-resistant tempered glass.

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Claim 23 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the lid flat is transparent for a cooking visual control.

Claim 24 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat has an opening with a tight sealing closure, for introduction of tools and addition of ingredients to the food to be cooked.

Claim 25 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat is made of food compatible metal.

Claim 26 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat is plain of a size fitting to a corresponding diameter of pan or pot.

Claim 27 (New): The lid according to Claim 16, characterized in that the flat is stepped, having a set of concentric steps, each corresponding to a size of pot or pan thus being applicable on pots or pans of any normally used size.